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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the patent application of Meldon L. Talbot, 4671 Devonshire Street, Boulder, Colorado 80301, entitled "Ankle Brace", consisting of a one page cover, five (5) pages of specification, four (4) pages of claims (Nos. 1-12), a one page Abstract, and one page of informal drawings (Figures 1-5).

Also enclosed are the executed (1) Declaration for Patent Application and (2) Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status - Independent Inventor.

This application is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 08/878,181 filed June 18, 1997 in the name of the same inventor.

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